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Sir:

The following information is disclosed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.97.

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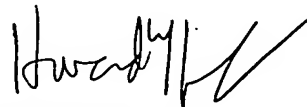
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CO-PENDING U.S. APPLICATIONS

Docket No. DN2002-015USA filed on even date herewith entitled EXPANDABLE BEAD MOLDING RING FOR A TIRE MOLD Inventors: Girard et al.

Due consideration and allowance of this application are respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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